



PCNR Network Membership form

Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss

Name/s:

Address:

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Post code:

Telephone:

Email address:

We'd love to keep in touch with you by sending newsletters and events information etc from the PCNR Network by email. We promise never to sell your details to other organisations. Simply tick the box below if you are happy for us to email you.

☐ Yes, I am happy be emailed

Please note if you do not tick, we may not be able to communicate with you about aspects of work that you may be interested in.

Location of Reserve:

6 figure grid reference if possible & copy of map is useful.

Area of land:

Habitats: grassland, woodland, hedgerows, pond etc.

Please include any designations SSSI, LWS etc. Feel free to add extra detail.

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Sign

Date

Please return this section to : PCNR Network, Somerset Wildlife Trust, 34 Wellington Road, TAUNTON, TA1 5AW

Principal Benefits

Private & Community Nature Reserves Network



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The Network is administered by volunteer members in conjunction with Somerset Wildlife Trust & Somerset Environmental Records Centre.

- PCNR Newsletters
- Seminars on habitat management
- Walk & talk meets at a reserve
- Local Area Contacts for advice
- Informal visits to members' reserves
- The knowledge you gain from the experience of other PCNR members
- Help with Botanical survey
- Website with Newsletters & information
- A PCNR owner's habitat management guide is available
- Telephone advice from Somerset Wildlife Trust

Somerset Wildlife Trust,
34 Wellington Road, TAUNTON, TA1 5AW

Phone: 01823 652400

Email: enquiries@somersetwildlife.org

Website: www.somersetwildlife.org/PCNR

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SOMERSET

Private & Community Nature Reserve Network

PCNR Network Membership Leaflet





Botanising at Eleys Fields



Holly blue on bluebell



Pond-dipping at Cary Cottage

Somerset's Private & Community Nature Reserves (PCNR) Network

was set up in 1996 to support owners, land managers and community groups who are keen to conserve wildlife on their land.

There are now around 200 members of the PCNR Network registered within the county. Together, these reserves owned privately or by the community cover approximately 2000 acres of wildlife habitats.

These include ponds, streams, lakes, meadows, hedgerows, orchards and woods within every kind of Somerset's terrain. Many of the sites are designated as Local Wildlife Sites, some have the potential to become such, others are SSSI. In size they range from rolling acres to the corner of a field or large garden.

Our membership includes landowners, smallholders, community groups such as local woodland trusts or community orchards.

What we have in common is that our priority is wildlife conservation.



Brimstone on water mint

Throughout Somerset we are restoring and managing our meadows, woods, orchards and ponds to provide safe havens for wild animals, birds, insects and aquatic creatures. We are surveying and monitoring our sites.

If you join the PCNR Network, you will be able to ask for information and advice and you will have opportunities to meet with other members to share experiences and enjoy organised events.

You will be offered a subsidised botanical survey and the data collected will be held by Somerset Environmental Records Centre (SERC).

Our aim is to offer information and advice where possible and to encourage PCNR network members to meet together to share experiences and enjoy organised events. Ideally, members will have a local point of contact within the administrative regions of Somerset Wildlife Trust. Other contact is through the Newsletter and website.



Hearing about development and management of a reserve over a welcome cuppa at Lower Chelmsine.

Frequently asked questions

Who is eligible to join?

Anyone who owns or manages land and is interested in managing it for the benefit of wildlife.

Can Community groups join?

We already have some members who joined on behalf of local groups that own land collectively, such as woods, wildflower meadows and churchyards.

What is the cost of PCNR Network membership?

It's free (donations always welcome).

Will membership mean that other conservationists will pester me?

No. Our mailing list is never shared.

What are the advantages for me?

The Network will help you assess, plan and implement good habitat management. The Trust's belief is that the more informed landowners become, the greater the benefits to wildlife. Funding or practical assistance may be available in some areas. Those of you who enjoy meeting like-minded people will have the opportunity to get to know other PCNR owners at our organised events and to exchange information and ideas.

